

QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAM REPORT

January 1, 2005 – March 31, 2005

WRC-TV attempts to serve the public interest, convenience and necessity by presenting broadcast material that treats significant issues of the people in the communities served by WRC-TV station. WRC recognizes that it has an ongoing obligation to remain aware of such community issues and to exercise its best judgment as to what broadcast matter should be programmed to treat those needs and interests.

The following is a brief description of such community issues and some of the programs we believe have provided the most significant treatment of such issues during the period January 1, 2004 – March 31, 2004, including the title of such program, its time, type, source, date and duration of broadcast.

NEWS FOUR AT FIVE AND TEN A.M., FOUR, FIVE, SIX AND ELEVEN P.M. TYPE: News Series SOURCE: Local TIME: 5:00-7:00AM, 10:00-11:00AM, 4:00-5:00PM, 5:00-6:00PM, 6:00-7:00PM, 11:00-11:35PM, Monday – Friday; 6:00-6:30PM, Saturday and Sunday. NEWS 4 TODAY. TYPE: News SOURCE: Local TIMES: Weekdays, 5:00-7:00AM, Saturdays, 6:00-7:00AM, 9:00-10:00AM, Sundays, 6:00AM-8:00AM, and 9:00AM-10:30AM. DURATION: See Times. WRC-TV reporters probe special issues of concern to area residents. **Stories generally appear more than once in the daily newscasts, as they are recapped throughout the day.** WRC-TV initiated, in December 1992, active closed captioning of its news broadcasts. Currently, all regularly scheduled news programs thirty minutes or longer are closed-captioned. Also, special news events sometimes are closed captioned, depending on the availability of the transcription service. The word for word transcription service includes chitchat between stories at two hundred plus words per minute, with less than a three-second delay. This effort addresses the needs of more than 300,000 deaf and hard of hearing people in the Washington area.

THE MCLAUGHLIN GROUP. TYPE: Public Affairs SOURCE: Syndicated (Originates from WRC-TV studios) TIME: Saturdays, 7:30-8:00PM, Repeated Sundays, 11:30AM. DURATION: thirty Minutes. This public affairs panel anchored by John McLaughlin, features discussion and analysis of current national and world events by five candid and respected Washington commentators.

ONE ON ONE. TYPE: Public Affairs SOURCE: Syndicated (Originates from WRC-TV) TIME: Sundays, 12:00 DURATION: Thirty Minutes. Host John McLaughlin interviews a prominent political or world leader each week on selected newsworthy issues.

REPORTERS NOTEBOOK. TYPE: Public Affairs SOURCE: Local TIME: Sundays, 6:15-6:30AM. DURATION: Fifteen Minutes. This reporter roundtable, which premiered on October 4, 1992, features discussion of public affairs issues by leading area journalists. The program is part of News 4 Today and usually is hosted by WRC-TV reporter Tom Sherwood. Journalist Milagros Ardin, WMAL-AM; Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM; and Jerry Phillips, WBIG-FM/WTEM-AM, join him.

VIEWPOINT. TYPE: Public Affairs SOURCE: Local TIME: Sundays, 7:00-7:30AM. DURATION: Thirty Minutes. WRC-TV's Joe Krebs hosts this weekly exploration of issues and people impacting the community. The program is part of the two hour News 4 Today news block on Sundays from 6:00-8:00AM. It premiered on November 15, 1992

I. Family/Miscellaneous

Many children in the Washington effort suffer from being denied the opportunity to grow up in a stable home with parents who can care for them emotionally and financially. WRC-TV helps these children directly through its Wednesday's Child project, described below. The station also broadcasts other news stories on the issue of adoption, some of which are described below.

NEWS FOUR AT FIVE PM. – WEDNESDAY'S CHILD. WRC-TV's Barbara Harrison, on selected Wednesdays, features a child or children who need a home, or celebrates a happy ending to an adoption story. In September, Barbara Harrison, with the Council of Governments, launched a program through which viewers may dial a phone number and find out more about adopting a child through any jurisdiction in our viewing area. Some of the stories are repeated on News 4 Sundays at nine AM. Some of the dates in which Wednesday's Child ran were:

January (5, 12, 19, 26)

February (2, 9, 16, 23)

March (2, 9, 16, 23, 30)

News4 Jan 4 – new sports field is being built for the kids in the Benning Terrace neighborhood in Southeast

News4 Jan 12 – the orphanage that inspired the Beatles song "Strawberry Fields Forever" is about to close.

Transportation

NEWS 4 January 4- More problems may be ahead for U.S. airways.

NEWS 4 January 6- Metro is thinking about ways to accommodate more riders.

NEWS 4 January 7- A warning to speeders in the District. Come Monday, police will start testing new speed cameras at four locations in the city.

NEWS 4 January 9- The Baltimore-Washington parkway remains closed tonight after a deadly accident.

NEWS 4 January 10- Transportation leaders in Virginia and Maryland are looking increasingly at toll lanes as a way to ease congestion.

NEWS 4 January 12- Federal workers hoping to avoid potential inaugural-related traffic the day before the inaugural are going to have to dip into their leave time.

NEWS 4 January 12- There have been several recent cases of lasers being beamed into aircraft cockpits.

NEWS 4 January 21- The plan to bring high-occupancy toll lanes to Virginia is one step closer to reality.

NEWS 4 January 21- The National Transportation Safety Board has finished its preliminary report of a deadly helicopter crash earlier this month.

NEWS 4 January 24- A helicopter with the Washington Hospital Center's MedStar Unit was forced to make a precautionary landing today in Prince George's county.

NEWS 4 January 28- Metro found two cracked rails today, one on the blue line, the other on the yellow line.

NEWS 4 January 31- The Virginia railway express wants to raise prices again.

NEWS 4 February 1- President Bush will deliver his state of the union address tomorrow night.

NEWS 4 February 1- Some experts blame inexperience as the main reason for teen accidents.

NEWS 4 February 8- Airport security is being beefed up further at B.W.I. airport.

NEWS 4 February 9- Some citizens groups in Northern Virginia are banding together to try to stop a fare increase on the Dulles Toll Road.

NEWS 4 February 9- Another effort is under way to help relieve traffic congestion in Northern Virginia.

NEWS 4 February 10- Three general aviation airports in our area will now be allowed to handle additional air traffic.

NEWS 4 February 11- Efforts to make repairs to the westbound span of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge have not gone exactly as planned.

NEWS 4 February 16- Disney travel executives say the war on terror is making for bad business.

NEWS 4 February 16- The Pentagon is considering using lasers to communicate with pilots flying into restricted airspace.

NEWS 4 February 17- Drivers will be paying more to ride on the Dulles Toll Road.

NEWS 4 February 22- School jurisdictions have strict policies about cell phone use.

NEWS 4 February 23- 30 students were on board the bus when it ran off Temple Hill Road yesterday morning.

NEWS 4 February 24- The snowstorm is not causing too much trouble at our local airports.

NEWS 4 February 25- B.W.I. airport may soon have a new name

NEWS 4 February 28- Today's snowstorm has delayed some road work in northern Virginia that will impact drivers in Stafford County.

NEWS 4 March 2- Hybrid cars are better for the environment, because they use less gas.

NEWS 4 March 3- A metro board committee is recommending that the transit agency launch a pilot program to increase capacity on metro trains.

NEWS 4 March 10- The transit agency may start charging people to park at two new Blue line stations once football season starts up again.

NEWS 4 March 16- Metro is doing some management shuffling in an effort to improve safety, reliability, and customer service.

NEWS 4 March 17- Some temporary relief for commuters who use the Wilson Bridge today.

NEWS 4 March 29- You will soon hear and see new advertising for DC's expanding red light and speeding camera programs.

NEWS 4 March 29- A nine-year-old bicyclist is in critical condition after she was hit by a car in Olney today.

NEWS 4 March 30- A pedestrian from Silver Spring was critically hurt today when she was hit by a Ride-On bus.

NEWS 4 March 31- If you plan to travel on the beltway through the Springfield Mixing Bowl.

NEWS 4 May 15- There may be a quick and easy way to get to the beach this summer that doesn't involve the Bay Bridge. It's called Simmons Air.

Environment

NEWS 4 January 11- While photographers were capturing images on the ground, radar satellites were capturing the wave from far above.

NEWS 4 January 22- The storm has caused major problems at local airports today.

NEWS 4 January 24- A group of legislators out west has petitioned the federal government to get snakehead fish put on the endangered species list.

NEWS 4 February 21- It will be an extended holiday for students at Walker Jones Elementary School in Northwest DC where teachers and students have complained about feeling sick.

NEWS 4 February 22- Concerned parents are gathering in northwest Washington tonight, where the clean up from a cat clinic shut down a school for the day.

NEWS 4 February 24- In Maryland, earthquake experts say now they are not so sure that more than one earthquake rattled the state yesterday.

NEWS 4 February 24- New concerns are being raised tonight about the Inter-county Connector.

Viewpoint 05-10

Taping: Thursday 3/3/05 11:00am

Airing: Sunday 3/6/05 7:00am

TOPIC: PEACE CORPS

Guest: Gaddi H. Vasquez, Director, Peace Corps

Eun Yang suggested this guest and was instrumental in getting him confirmed in observance of Peace Corps Week February 28 - March 6. Some of what he will discuss is

- ☐ what is the Peace Corp
- ☐ the mission
- ☐ the history
- ☐ who volunteers
- ☐ where do volunteers get assigned
- ☐ how safe is the Peace Corps

NEWS 4 March 7- Past problems with lead in the drinking water in the District has prompted the federal government to act.

NEWS 4 March 8- Hardy Middle School in Georgetown also was closed today because of a mercury spill there.

NEWS 4 March 15- Hazardous materials teams responded to several scares today.

NEWS 4 March 29- President Bush is offering rapid assistance to the victims of yesterday's deadly earthquake in Indonesia.

NEWS 4 March 31- It's a new commitment to try to keep the Potomac River clean.

Education

NEWS 4 January 6- Footprints were found in rocks that Ray Stanford pulled from streambeds near White Marsh.

NEWS 4 January 7- Education Secretary Rod Paige says schools lag behind much of society when it comes to using technology.

NEWS 4 January 7- Maryland Governor Robert Ehrlich is working on his budget for 2006 and the numbers look good for the state's University system.

NEWS 4 January 10- The University Of Maryland is playing a role in the fight against terrorism.

NEWS 4 January 21- Weekend events are being cancelled because of the snow.

NEWS 4 January 25- Montgomery County Schools came out on top in a recent statewide poll.

NEWS 4 January 28- Archeologists have found a mosaic buried deep inside a hole in Rome.

Viewpoint January 20 - Guest: Dr. André J. Hornsby, Chief Executive Officer Prince George's County. Topics:

- Test Sophistication program
- Core curriculum improvements and realignments
- Quality Schools Program Strategic Plan.
- Withholding of about \$10 million in aid to Prince George's County schools
- Withholding of 20 percent of each school's operating budget.
- County's ESOL program

NEWS 4 February 14- It's going to be a little easier for some foreigners to study in the United States.

NEWS 4 February 17- E-bay has sold a lot of bizarre and grisly stuff over the years

NEWS 4 February 18- A man who put a human skull up for sale on E-bay has had a change of heart.

NEWS 4 February 18- The National Archives put the proclamation on display today to help celebrate Black History Month.

Viewpoint February 20 - Guest: Jack Johnson, County Executive, Prince George's County. Topics:

- School system audit delay to the MD Department of Education
- Crime stat in the County
- Good news on economic development in the County
- Key legislative agenda items
- Health care crisis in the county or maybe the region
- Tolls or taxes as a way to fund road construction

NEWS 4 February 21- Today marks the 40th anniversary of the assassination of Malcolm X.

NEWS 4 February 28- Area schools have been closed because of snow.

NEWS 4 March 9- Alia Sabur is the youngest PHD student in the country.

NEWS 4 March 14- Tribal leaders in Roanoke are now trying to determine if a human skull put up for sale on E-bay was a Native American descendant.

NEWS 4 March 18- Some parents and political leaders in the District are troubled about the pace of much needed school repairs.

Viewpoint 05-13

Taping: Thursday 3/24/05 11:00am

Airing: Sunday 3/27/05 7:00am

TOPIC: **What is religious faith to the Christian and how do we show it in our lives**

Host: Pat Muse

Guests: Rev. Dr. Ronald Braxton, Pastor, Metropolitan A.M.E. Church; Reverend Kit Carlson, Associate Pastor, Episcopal Church of the Ascension and Rev. Dr. Wallace Charles Smith, Pastor, Shiloh Baptist Church

The subject was chosen because this program will air this Sunday 4/27. A day that is being celebrated throughout the Christian community as "Easter" Sunday or "Ressurrection" Sunday. Additionally, NBC News is airing a series all this week on the subject, Faith In America and NewsWeek magazine has a cover story on the question of ..." How did JESUS the prophet become the CHRISTIAN Saviour ?" In the news daily daily, there are questions on religious faith from Ashley Smith, the Atlanta woman who says her faith and the inspirational handbook *The Purpose-Driven Life* helped her persuade the murder suspect who held her hostage to let her-- to--- the supporters of Terri Schiavo being guided by their faith and raising challenging questions about life and death.

NEWS 4 March 29- Venus is rising in Israel and for archeologists it's a one of a kind event.

NEWS 4 March 30- Virginia Schools are now available on a new website.

Health

NEWS 4 January 4- People dealing with chronic pain have another drug to worry about.

NEWS 4 January 4- The government is taking a close look at birth control.

NEWS 4 January 6- A genetic trait could determine how susceptible a person is to becoming infected with the aids virus.

NEWS 4 January 6- Antibiotics are not the cure for everything.

NEWS 4 January 7- Going uphill seems to clear fats from the blood faster.

NEWS 4 January 7- A woman's age is still a critical factor when it comes to the success of infertility treatments.

NEWS 4 January 7- Health officials in Maryland say the vaccine will now be offered to more people.

NEWS 4 January 11- Ten major drug companies are launching the discount card. It's called the Together RX Access Card.

NEWS 4 January 12- New research finds that common treatment for prostate cancer may increase a man's risk for bone fractures.

NEWS 4 January 12- There's new evidence that children can inherit depression from their parents and grandparents.

NEWS 4 January 21- Researchers say the next step is to find out whether the appetite suppression actually results in weight loss.

NEWS 4 January 31- Research finds that hormone injections could prevent thousands of premature births a year.

NEWS 4 January 31- The Federal Government is out with a new list of substances that could cause cancer.

NEWS 4 February 1- Too much sun causes cancer.

NEWS 4 February 1- Medicare will expand its prescription drug plan to cover sexual performance drugs such as Viagra.

NEWS 4 February 2- A new study finds that stroke survivors are putting themselves in danger of suffering another stroke, once they stop taking their daily aspirin.

NEWS 4 February 2- More on the health problems that hospitalized the Pope.

NEWS 4 February 3- A health warning about a rare sexually transmitted disease.

NEWS 4 February 9- Researchers at John Hopkins in Baltimore studied 19 patients who suffered heart attack symptoms following a stressful event.

NEWS 4 February 14- Annual flu shots have been recommended for people 65 and older since the 1960's.

NEWS 4 February 16- A new study finds that how much and how often you drink plays a role in your body mass index.

NEWS 4 February 16- It appears the Washington area is not asthma-friendly.

NEWS 4 February 16- A new report questions a popular belief regarding pregnant women and epidurals.

NEWS 4 February 16- The Food and Drug Administration's response to growing concerns about certain arthritis pain relievers.

NEWS 4 February 17- Love, marriage and heart disease, some couples may be more at risk than others of endangering their health.

NEWS 4 February 24,25- Cardozo High School in northwest would have been closed because of yesterday's mercury spill.

NEWS 4 February 28- The makers of a new drug used to treat multiple sclerosis are pulling the medicine off the market.

NEWS 4 March 1- Almost half of all new breast cancer cases occur in women over 65.

NEWS 4 March 1- Eating a bowl of Kellogg's cereal may be good for your heart.

NEWS 4 March 2- The Food and Drug Administration today issued an alert about Crestor.

NEWS 4 March 2- A six-year-old boy at Webb Elementary died last Friday and doctors suspect he may have had bacterial meningitis.

NEWS 4 March 4- Researchers found that people who started exercising and eating better saw major health improvements in just six weeks.

NEWS 4 March 4- Paxil CR is used to treat depression and several anxiety disorders.

NEWS 4 March 9- There's some word of some progress in the efforts to develop a vaccine to fight breast cancer.

NEWS 4 March 9- Plavix is an anti-clotting drug typically prescribed to prevent heart attacks and strokes.

NEWS 4 March 11- Some schools are now putting kids on the South Beach Diet in an effort to combat childhood obesity.

NEWS 4 March 14- There's a new theory about why people lose weight on low-carb diets.

NEWS 4 March 15- A new study has a warning for people taking large doses of vitamin E.

NEWS 4 March 29- Ireland imposed a smoking ban in all its bars and restaurants.

NEWS 4 March 29- People who take an ambulance to the hospital in Fairfax County will have to pay for the service.

NEWS 4 March 29- There is an update on an AIDS case in New York that got national attention.

NEWS 4 May 15- New research shows the air a pregnant woman breathes could harm her baby.

Politics

NEWS 4 January 4- The United States will not turn away from the victims of the tsunami.

NEWS 4 January 6- A Maryland National Guard unit shipped out today.

NEWS 4 January 7- Newdow has filed a lawsuit at the US District Court here in the District of Columbia.

NEWS 4 January 9- The experts who are among the first responders in the case of a biological attack were in the District today.

NEWS 4 January 10- The school in Spotsylvania County Virginia is scheduled to vote tonight on whether to change its policy on the pledge of allegiance.

NEWS 4 January 11- Tom Ridge is still in charge of Homeland Security and that includes next week's Inauguration.

NEWS 4 January 12- The Virginia General Assembly also began its legislative session today.

NEWS 4 January 16- Inauguration parade and ball tickets are hot items in the district.

NEWS 4 January 18 - Condoleeza Rice came to Capitol Hill for the first of two days of confirmation hearings to become the next Secretary of State.

NEWS 4 January 20- President Bush outlined a vision for the world.

NEWS 4 January 21- Maryland Governor Robert Ehrlich is hoping the third time he'll get lucky with slot machines.

NEWS 4 January 24- It has been 32 years since the Supreme Court legalized abortion in this country.

NEWS 4 January 25- Maryland residents enrolled in HMO's will be seeing a ten to fifteen dollar increase.

NEWS 4 January 26- The chopper went down during bad weather in Western Iraq the Syrian Border.

NEWS 4 January 27- Sweeping changes could be ahead for people who work at the Department of Homeland Security.

NEWS 4 January 28- Authorities say they've arrested three close associates of Abu Musab.

NEWS 4 January 28- DC Mayor Anthony Williams is introducing a plan that he says will move the city closer to ending its homeless problems.

NEWS 4 January 31- For a second year in a row, the Virginia House of Delegates has voted to tighten regulations on abortion.

NEWS 4 February 1- Senators George Allen of Virginia and Mary Landrieu of Louisiana want the Senate to apologize to African Americans.

NEWS 4 February 2- Confirmation hearings are now over for Michael Chertoff.

NEWS 4 February 3- District leaders say they want to protect children from violent and sexually explicit material.

NEWS 4 February 8- Members of President Bush's Cabinet came to Capitol Hill today to try to sell the Presidents budget to lawmakers.

NEWS 4 February 9- DC Mayor Anthony Williams today suggested that the city may sue mortgage giant Fannie May.

NEWS 4 February 10- The droopy drawers bill that's been getting attention in Richmond has been clothes-lined.

Viewpoint February 13 - Guests: Kwame Brown, D.C. Councilmember; Adrian Fenty, D.C. Councilmember; and, Vincent Gray, D.C. Council member. Topics:

- Council concerns about Mayor's request for an additional \$21.9M in spending
- Local impact of the Bush plan to eliminate Community Development Block Grant programs
- Rising costs of property tax assessments, housing affordability for middle and low-income residents
- Collective strategy to address juvenile homicides
- Council efforts to ban violent video games.
- Veto of the Electronic Recording Procedures Act of 2004
- 7. Reaction to.... President Bush will propose a comprehensive survey of federal land in the District , including parks, waterfront property and 182 acres at St. Elizabeths Hospital, to determine whether local officials can take over or redevelop some sites to boost the city's tax base, according to Mayor Anthony A. Williams.
- 8. Reaction to CSX Corp. is challenging the District's 90-day ban on railroad shipments of hazardous materials that pass through the city, arguing that it is an unconstitutional restriction of interstate commerce.
- 9. What about..... the Baseball team, District leaders presented a sketch of a ballpark along the Anacostia River that gives spectators a view of one of the city's most powerful symbols: the U.S. Capitol.
- 10. What will they do with this surplus... Unexpectedly strong revenue driven by a hot real estate market left the District with a \$318 million budget surplus for fiscal 2004, the largest since the financial control board disbanded in 2001, according to a recent audit.

- 11. And what about City Administrator Robert C. allegedly steering consulting contracts to three acquaintances from Oakland, Calif., where Bobb served as city manager until 2003.

NEWS 4 February 16- The District and Howard University say they are close to signing an agreement to build a 230 bed hospital on the grounds of the old DC General Hospital.

NEWS 4 February 17- It has been one of the most anticipated Presidential appointments.

NEWS 4 February 22- The High Court's ruling on eminent domain could have an impact on economic development here in the District.

NEWS 4 February 23- The Bush Administration announced a new plan to fight the drug war.

NEWS 4 February 24- Dillard announced he will not run for re-election.

NEWS 4 February 25- There has been an explosion in Tel Aviv.

NEWS 4 March 8- Lawmakers are considering a bill that would prohibit minors from renting or buying adult and mature video games with violent content.

NEWS 4 March 11- Maryland Senator Paul Sarbanes is retiring.

NEWS 4 March 15- Representative Dutch Ruppersberger announced he is forming an exploratory committee to gauge interest for a Senate run.

NEWS 4 March 16- Virginia Lieutenant Governor Tim Kaine has kicked off his campaign for Governor.

NEWS 4 March 17- Loudoun County is one of the fastest growing counties in the country.

NEWS 4 March 18- Free elections were held in Iraq in December to elect members of a new National Assembly.

NEWS 4 May 15- In Maryland the senate has made some changes to Governor Ehrlich's slot machine bill.

Consumer

NEWS 4 January 4- President Bush asked his farther and former President Clinton to lead a private fund raising campaign to help the victims of the tsunami.

NEWS 4 January 4- The IRS expects to receive more that 133 million tax returns this year.

NEWS 4 January 4- The Consumer Product Safety Commission is recalling about 20-thousand Dirt Devil Sweeper Vacs.

NEWS 4 January 6- Microsoft is out with a new security program to protect windows software from viruses.

NEWS 4 January 6- Researchers and farmers in Florida have come up with a way to make low carb potatoes.

NEWS 4 January 7, 21- The Star Spangled Banner was written by Francis Scott Key in 1814 to the tune of an old drinking song.

NEWS 4 January 10- A family owned supermarket chain tops Fortune magazine's annual list of the best 100 companies to work for in America.

NEWS 4 January 11- The CPSC is recalling 9,300-step two-company toddler swings.

NEWS 4 January 12- Microsoft has a warning for people who use its windows operating system.

NEWS 4 January 18- The Consumer Product Safety Commission is recalling 600-thousand GE Oval and Double Dish Slow Cookers.

NEWS 4 January 25- Washington residents were asked to name all their favorite places, from burger joints to political hangouts.

NEWS 4 January 25- The mall in Wheaton will remain closed because of a broken sprinkler system.

NEWS 4 January 25- The Wall Street Journal reports of the 50 biggest selling medicines.

NEWS 4 January 25- The Consumer Product Safety Commission is recalling 92-thousand Pottery Barn Kids Chamois Blankets.

NEWS 4 January 27- Ford is recalling nearly 800-thousand pickups and sport utility vehicles because of a potential fire hazard danger.

NEWS 4 January 31- Anheuser Busch is about to come out with a new beverage.

NEWS 4 February 1- An estimated 500 diploma mills sell phony diplomas online.

NEWS 4 February 1- More and more Americans are becoming victims of consumer scams.

NEWS 4 February 2- Honda is recalling nearly half a million cars because of a problem inside the ignition switch.

NEWS 4 February 3- The Vermont Teddy Bear Company has agreed to stop producing the crazy for you bear.

NEWS 4 February 7- Ford is recalling 359 thousand Focus cars because of a problem with the rear passenger door.

NEWS 4 February 7- The Delegates approved a bill that would complete the phase out of the tax by 2012.

NEWS 4 February 9- Hecht's and Lord and Taylor will soon start changing the lay out of their stores to make more accessible to the disabled.

NEWS 4 February 9- Splenda's latest legal action is a response to a lawsuit the Sugar Association filed against the sugar substitute last December accusing Splenda of false advertising.

NEWS 4 February 11- Comcast is expanding one of its most popular video on demand programs.

NEWS 4 February 11- General Motors is recalling 155-thousand vehicles because of a serious safety problem.

NEWS 4 February 14- McDonalds has settled a lawsuit that accused the fast food chain of false advertising.

NEWS 4 February 18- New Jersey Attorney General has filed a lawsuit against Blockbuster.

NEWS 4 February 21- Federal authorities are calling them some of the worst email scams they've ever seen and they've trying to bring those responsible to justice.

NEWS 4 February 21- Gale Brewer says when people go to the movies they have to sit for a while watching ads and previews before the movie starts.

NEWS 4 February 22- It's been more that a year since Montgomery County enacted its smoking ban in restaurants.

NEWS 4 February 22- The government is cracking down on work at home scams.

NEWS 4 February 24- Identity theft is a growing problem.

NEWS 4 February 25- After three days of hearings, the panel voted to keep Celebrex Bextra and Vioxx on the market.

NEWS 4 February 28- About 100 million new nickels have been shipped to the Federal Reserve Banks.

NEWS 4 March 2- A settlement involving gift card fees for the nation's largest shopping mall chain.

NEWS 4 March 3- The government says each year about one-and-a-half million US households pull up stakes and moves.

NEWS 4 March 3- The Consumer Product Safety Commission is recalling nearly 3-million metal charms that were sold under the "Charming Thoughts" name.

NEWS 4 March 3- A 17-month old boy has died, the victim of an automobile power window incident.

NEWS 4 March 3- Taxpayer eager to cut their tax bills are making it too easy for con artist to operate tax scams.

NEWS 4 March 4- Gas prices are expected to make a dramatic rise.

NEWS 4 March 4- A bill to increase the state's minimum wage at six-dollars and fifteen cents an hour.

NEWS 4 March 4- A Communications Consultant firm recently conducted a survey and found nearly 700 million cell phones were brought last year around the world.

NEWS 4 March 8- The Wall Street Journal reports that tight airline staffing has left little room for error when it comes to trouble such as lost luggage and late flights.

NEWS 4 March 8- The Consumer Product Safety Commission is recalling 57-thousand infant and toddler sweaters sold at JC Penney stores.

NEWS 4 March 11- Some familiar names are back on Forbes Magazine's list of the world's richest people.

NEWS 4 March 14- A University of Michigan poll found six in ten cell phone users say using a cell phone in public can be a major irritation.

NEWS 4 March 14- Virginia residents hoping to shop at a new mall in Prince William County will have to wait a little longer.

NEWS 4 March 16- Finance experts warn these so-called convenience checks may carry a hefty price tag with them.

NEWS 4 March 18- Chevrolet will introduce the entertainment option on its Uplander minivan this spring.

NEWS 4 March 18- The Home and Garden show will be at the Convention Center through Sunday.

NEWS 4 March 29- Consumer complaints against Blockbuster for it's no late fee advertising campaign.

NEWS 4 March 29- People are making complaints about their wireless phone service.

NEWS 4 March 29- The Washington Times reports apartments are very much in demand even though rent fees are pretty high.

Violence/Crime

NEWS 4 January 4- Court documents made public today show that investigators found a propane torch and a map of the Hunters Brooke housing development in the home of one of the men accused of setting fire to the neighborhood.

NEWS 4 January 4- Police in Fairfax County are asking for help to identify four people who broke into an electronics store this summer and stole eight thousand dollars worth of stereo equipment.

NEWS 4 January 4- A man from Langley Park Maryland is facing arson and fraud charges after he set his own vehicle on fire.

NEWS 4 January 6- Today opening statements were presented in the carjacking and murder trial of a local businessman.

NEWS 4 January 6- Andrea Yates reacted to news that her conviction had been overturned.

NEWS 4 January 6- Police investigating a hate crime in Bowie.

NEWS 4 January 6- Police in Prince George's County are asking for help to find two men who have been holding up Radio Shack stores in the area.

NEWS 4 January 7-The family of a 15-year old girl found murdered in Prince George's County is asking for help tonight in finding her killer.

NEWS 4 January 7- Investigators are still checking on two other police impersonation incidents that have occurred in the County over the past month.
NEWS 4 January 7- Police are investigating three deadly shootings.

NEWS 4 January 7- Two detectives were sitting in an unmarked police car near the Thornburg exit of I-95.

NEWS 4 January 7- A Chantilly Virginia man is under arrest on charges of trying to illicit sex from a minor over the internet.

NEWS 4 January 10- Six former executives with America online and its former business partner purchase-pro have been indicted on fraud charges.

NEWS 4 January 10- Another suspect in the Charles County arson case is about to get out of jail.

NEWS 4 January 11- Police in Arlington are investigating the county's first murder of the year.

NEWS 4 January 12- Five of the six suspects in the Charles County arson case pleaded not guilty today.

NEWS 4 January 12- A suspect wanted for raping a woman in along a jogging trail in a popular Alexandria Park is now in custody.

NEWS 4 January 12- There was a protest in Annapolis today on behalf of a pregnant woman who is serving time in a prison in Maryland.

NEWS 4 January 12- A Pentagon police officer who was hit by a stolen car remains in critical condition.

NEWS 4 January 16- About eight-hundred people were forced out of the Marbury Plaza Apartments after a deadly fire and explosion there Tuesday.

NEWS 4 January 18- Investigators in the District say smoking in bed caused a deadly house fire that claimed the life of an elderly man.

NEWS 4 January 21- In Prince George's County a 19-year-old suspect is dead, and police officer is in the hospital after a shooting this morning.

NEWS 4 January 21- Police are trying to find out who is responsible for a string of robberies in DC's Mount Pleasant neighborhood.

NEWS 4 January 21- The National Park Service is looking for two bronze swords that have been stolen from one of its parks.

NEWS 4 January 21- The Randall Shelter in the District is at the center of yet another protest.

NEWS 4 January 21- A 15-year-old boy is recovering after being badly beaten in Annapolis over a cell phone and a dollar.

NEWS 4 January 21- Lawyers for a man accused of murdering a woman and her young daughter are trying to have the man's confession thrown out of court.

NEWS 4 January 21- Montgomery County Police are asking for help in solving a string of BB gun shootings.

NEWS 4 January 24- Montgomery County police are looking for a man they say is responsible for several robberies at a Bally's Total Fitness Center in the last four months.

NEWS 4 January 24- Police in Annapolis say they've made an arrest in a horrible crime.

NEWS 4 January 24- Police in Montgomery County are searching for a hit and run driver.

NEWS 4 January 25- Four suspects are in custody after a robbery, carjacking and a police chase.

NEWS 4 January 26- Federal officials today displayed the drugs and documents in the case against Hoffler Riddick.

NEWS 4 January 27- Johns Hopkins University is speeding up a plan to put surveillance cameras on school grounds and areas close to the school.

NEWS 4 January 27- The Loudoun County Sheriff's Office want to talk to a man about the murder of Sherine Williams.

NEWS 4 January 28- A man convicted in the murder of 8-year-old Chelsea Cromartie learned his fate today.

NEWS 4 January 28- Police say a 17-year-old pregnant high school student has been beaten to death with a baseball bat.

NEWS 4 January 31- Police in Fairfax County are searching for a man suspected of sexually assaulting a 17-year-old girl.

NEWS 4 January 31- Two Fairfax County men are in police custody charged with making child pornography.

NEWS 4 February 1- A man and a woman were shot in Cottage City.

NEWS 4 February 2- Three doctors and four companies are accused of marketing a knockoff that contained a strong amount of botulism which is a toxin.

NEWS 4 February 2- Police in Arlington are stepping up efforts to catch a man wanted in a deadly shooting.

NEWS 4 February 3- Maryland correction officials are trying to find out how an inmate died while on a department bus going from Hagerstown to Baltimore.

NEWS 4 February 3- A teenager accused of killing his mother in Alabama is jailed in Prince William County.

NEWS 4 January 7- Police arrested 34 year-old Tina Blaik yesterday after witnesses spotted her crawling into the tomb at Mount Olivet Cemetery.

NEWS 4 February 8- Starbucks is defending itself against an ugly rumor that has hurt its business.

NEWS 4 February 8- Police in Prince William County have identified the body of a man found in Haymarket.

NEWS 4 February 8- Bones were found Sunday along the towpath at Canal and Chain Bridge Road.

NEWS 4 February 9- Residents at a southwest apartment building say they're worried for their safety.

NEWS 4 February 9- A man suspected of deliberately setting fire to an apartment in Gaithersburg is now in custody.

NEWS 4 February 9- Riddick appeared in federal court in Norfolk Virginia this morning.

NEWS 4 February 10- Manassas police say a man robbed the CVS store on Liberia Avenue yesterday evening.

NEWS 4 February 10- Maurice Blackwell is accused of sexually abusing Dontee Stokes more than ten years ago.

NEWS 4 February 10- The body of Jose Guzman was found early Monday morning in Haymarket.

NEWS 4 February 11- In Prince William County, hit and run driver killed a man on a bicycle.

NEWS 4 February 14- Six women who allegedly ran into the Route 29 stalker will be allowed to testify when Darrell Rice goes on trial later this spring.

NEWS 4 February 14- Two of Jackson's own children may testify.

NEWS 4 February 14- A Baltimore detective who first investigated child abuse charges against Maurice Blackwell in 1993 took the stand.

NEWS 4 February 14- Prince George's County Police arrested several suspects in connection with a string of robberies involving "North Face" jackets.

NEWS 4 February 14- A Pentagon police officer hit by a stolen car last month has died.

NEWS 4 February 16- Police issued a warrant charging 51-year-old Robert Frank Taylor with first-degree burglary while armed.

NEWS 4 February 16- Two teens are in custody in connection with the assault of a man in Sterling, Virginia.

NEWS 4 February 21- Two young men are jailed and charged with robbery and murder of a popular teacher who taught at a private school near Baltimore.

NEWS 4 February 22- A priest from Pennsylvania will not serve any jail time in the death of a football player from Maryland.

NEWS 4 February 22- A northern Virginia man detained in Saudi Arabia as a suspected terrorist is now facing charges that he conspired to assassinate President Bush.

NEWS 4 February 23- Fairfax County Police are asking people who may have information about a child molestation at a toy store to come forward.

NEWS 4 February 24- Prosecutors in Virginia say they will pursue charges against a diplomat from the United Arab Emirates accused of trying to solicit a girl for sex over the Internet.

NEWS 4 March 1- A school bus driver from Howard County is facing charges after an accident.

NEWS 4 March 1- An FBI agent says an accused terrorist from Northern Virginia has admitted his guilt on many different occasions.

NEWS 4 March 1- Police are investigating two murders that happened just hours apart.

NEWS 4 March 1- Police in Virginia have arrested two teenagers in connection with that string of pizza delivery robberies.

NEWS 4 March 1- Police are asking for help to identify a man suspected of stealing the drug Oxy Contin from pharmacies.

NEWS 4 March 1- Thomas Koucky entered the guilty plea in Prince William County.

NEWS 4 March 2- Prosecutors in Virginia are frustrated a diplomat arrested last week for allegedly trying to solicit a girl for sex over the Internet has left the company.

NEWS 4 March 3- In Montgomery County authorities are looking for a man who posed as an FBI agent.

NEWS 4 March 3- Police in Montgomery County hope a composite sketch will lead them to the man who shot and killed a gas station clerk.

NEWS 4 March 3- Authorities are investigating the attempted firebombing of a townhouse in Manassas Virginia.

NEWS 4 March 3- In Frederick Maryland police have four fraud investigations involving scams to steal money.

NEWS 4 March 4- 19-year-old John Hoelscher admitted in court that he not only arranged the attack on quarterback Dave Berry last summer but he had his friends videotape the assault.

NEWS 4 March 8- The reward for information in Syed Rizvi's murder is now 18 thousand dollars.

NEWS 4 March 8- Police say a robber tried to break into an automatic teller machine.

NEWS 4 March 8- Police say a teenage girl from Virginia who was missing has been found.

NEWS 4 March 8- The arson task force has linked the arsonist to at least 48 fires.

NEWS 4 March 8- Authorities in Charles County Maryland have made another arrest in connection with last December's arson case.

NEWS 4 March 9- The nations finest business schools take cheating very seriously.

NEWS 4 March 10- Jackson was late to court today and the judge issued an arrest warrant and threatened to have Jackson's forfeit his 3-million dollar bond.

NEWS 4 March 10- A police shooting in Arlington happened in a parking lot behind this hi-rise building on Crystal Drive.

NEWS 4 March 11- A Maryland State trooper is recovering from injuries, after a long police chase through Montgomery County.

NEWS 4 March 11- In Annapolis some 14 thousand emails sent by a former aide to Governor Bob Ehrlich is being made public.

NEWS 4 March 11- A judge in Prince William County has ruled one of two women who were hypnotized can testify against Rice in his upcoming trial.

NEWS 4 March 14- Police in Spotsylvania County are on the look-out for a woman who's been stealing wallets from unsuspecting shoppers at local grocery stores.

NEWS 4 March 14- The accused gunman Brian Nichols is expected to be in court tomorrow and face new charges.

NEWS 4 March 14- Commonwealth Attorney in Spotsylvania County says he will file charges of involuntary manslaughter against the owner of three pit bulls who mauled an elderly woman to death last week.

NEWS 4 March 14- A man accused of joining Al-Qaida and plotting to assassinate President Bush entered a not guilty plea in federal court in Alexandria.

NEWS 4 March 15- Police have released a sketch of a man they say was posing as a FBI agent in Germantown earlier this month.

NEWS 4 March 15- Brian Nichols was back in an Atlanta courtroom just days after he allegedly went on a shooting rampage that left four people dead.

NEWS 4 March 15- Police in Alexandria are looking for the person who fired a BB gun from a car.

NEWS 4 March 15- A guilty plea today in a deadly car accident on I-66 that took the lives of three people from New Jersey.

NEWS 4 March 16- The judge in the Laci Peterson case formally sentenced Scott Peterson to death for the murder of his wife and unborn child.

NEWS 4 March 16- DC police are investigating the fatal shooting of a man who allegedly fired a sawed-off shotgun at an officer.

NEWS 4 March 17- Thomas Messereau told the jurors Coleman would testify that the accuser's family tried to manipulate the weatherman into raising money for them.

NEWS 4 March 18- Prince William County police have arrested a teaching assistant and student at the University of Virginia for allegedly seeking out a sexual relationship with a 13-year-old girl.

NEWS 4 March 18- Investigators say a bank robbery in Montgomery County yesterday may be linked to one last month in Calvert County.

NEWS 4 March 29- Police in Prince George's County are asking for help to catch a couple of guys who may be responsible for a rash of robberies.

NEWS 4 March 29- In Red Lake Minnesota where a student shot and killed nine people may remain closed for the rest of the school year.

NEWS 4 March 29- A gallop New Mexico man remains in critical condition after being tied to a car by his ankles and dragged more than a mile on Easter morning.

NEWS 4 March 29- A key witness in the upcoming trial of four MS-13 gang members appeared in federal court in Alexandria today.

NEWS 4 March 30- The government says three companies that promised to help people lower their debt.

NEWS 4 March 30- A man accused of stabbing several residents inside a retirement home in Alexandria is not competent to stand trial.

NEWS 4 March 30- DC police are canvassing a shopping center in southeast trying to find witnesses to a deadly carjacking.

NEWS 4 March 31- Two men have been arrested for their involvement in a scam involving stolen Ride-On bus tickets.

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TOPIC: CRIME AND PROPERTY NUISANCE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

Guests: JIM GRAHAM, DC Council-Ward One; MARIA DELANEY, Director Alcohol Beverage Regulation Administration; and, JOHN FRYE
Citizen - Former ANC (Wards 5 & 7)

"Crime and Property Nuisance in the Neighborhoods". Over the past months, DC residents have been very concerned about nuisance-properties and commercial beverage traffic in their communities. Among the many concerns are the stabbing at DC night life establishments and the problems of drug facilities operating illegally in residential areas